

**CITY OF COOPERSVILLE**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF COOPERSVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
CITY HALL, 289 DANFORTH ST.; COOPERSVILLE, MICHIGAN

**April 8, 2024**

**Present:** Council Member Bowman Council Member Gerard  
Council Member Bush Mayor Young  
Council Member Gavin

**Absent:** Council Member's Degeus and Weise

Motion by Council Member Gavin with second by Council Member Gerard to excuse the absence of Council Member Degeus and Council Member Weise. Motion carried unanimously. (2024 – 034)

**Additions/Corrections to Agenda** NONE

**Scheduled Guests and Public Hearings**

**Public Hearing on Proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget & Millage**

Motion by Council Member Gavin with second by Council Member Bush to open the public hearing at 7:02 P.M.  
Motion carried unanimously. (2024 – 035)

City Manager Dennis Luce presented the proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget and Millage.

No comments were offered by the public.

Motion by Council Member Bush with second by Council Member Gerard to close the public hearing at 7:04 P.M.  
Motion carried unanimously. (2024-036)

**Citizens Input and Suggestions**

Rich Houtteman of Consumers Energy presented an update on the amount of work performed and money spent in the City in the past five (5) years. Mr. Houtteman stated that Consumers Energy has spent over twenty-five (25) million dollars in the City due to the growth that Coopersville has experienced, and a projected nine (9) million will be spent County-wide to upgrade. Consumers Energy is closing their Campbell Plant in West Olive. All employees will be offered jobs in other Consumers Energy locations.

Mr. Houtteman stated that they are currently working with the Muskegon Resource Recovery Center on a two thousand (two thousand) acre solar plant that is currently being constructed.

**Consent Agenda**

Motion by Council Member Bush with second by Council Member Gerard to approve the Consent Agenda which consists of the following: Motion carried unanimously. (2024 037)

- ***Minutes of the City Council Meeting on March 11, 2024***
- ***Minutes of the City Council Closed Meeting on March 11, 2024***
- ***Kamminga & Roodvoets Pay Application No. 1, Totaling \$192,028.09***
- ***Checks through April 8, 2024, Totaling \$1,104,554.96***
- ***Council Information Packet***

### **Petitions and Communications**

Discussion only was held on the proposed FY 2024-2025 Budget and Millage.

Motion by Council Member Bush with second by Council Member Gavin to approve the transfer of Coopersville Area Historical Society Funds from Endowed Fund to Non-Endowed Fund totaling \$2,008.00. Motion carried unanimously. (2024-038)

Motion by Council Member Gavin with second by Council Member Gerard to “table” action on the purchase and outfitting of a 2024 Ford F-350 Dump Truck until the May 2024 meeting to give Betten Baker the opportunity to match the price of the lowest bid received. Motion carried unanimously. (2024 – 039)

Motion by Council Member Bowman with second by Council Member Gavin to approve the appointment of the following Residents, Council Members, and Mayor to the Coopersville Senior Recreation Advisory Committee. Motion carried unanimously. (2024-040)

- ***Council Member Bush***
- ***Council Member Gerard***
- ***Mayor Young***
- ***Resident, Deb Mauk***
- ***Resident, Doug Mauk***

Motion by Council Member Bowman with second by Council Member Gerard to approve the proposed amendment to Ordinance Chapter 1280 to add 1280.24, Solar Energy. Motion carried unanimously. (2024 – 0041)

Motion by Council Member Gerard with second by Council Member Bush to approve the Annual Lakeshore Advantage Membership Dues and Renewal totaling \$10,000.00. Motion carried unanimously. (2024 – 042)

### **Citizens Input & Suggestions**

Resident Michael Hammond stated that the City used to have a policy that stated the Council can approve purchases or services from local contractors and businesses if they were ten (10) percent or less difference in price of the lowest bidder.

Resident Bob LaCross inquired on what the warranty is for the proposed Ford F-350, that is being considered for purchase.

### **City Manager, Dennis Luce reported on the following:**

The bid openings for Phase I of the Muskegon Waterline have been completed. The current total is approximately sixty-six (66) million. The bid opening for Phase II and Phase III will take place this week.

### **City Clerk’s Report** NONE

### **City Treasurer’s Report**

Treasurer Keri Beth Rogers informed the Council that Draft “A” of the budget will be presented for approval at the May 2024 meeting so if any anyone has any questions or concerns to please let her know as soon as possible.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Council Member Bush with second by Council Member Gerard to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 P.M. Motion carried unanimously. (2024 - 043)